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Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

COURTNEY D. FIELDS

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 09 November 2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4 and 6-28.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
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5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other ____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claim 5 has been cancelled.
2. Claims 26-28 have been added.
3. Claims 1-4 and 6-28 are pending.

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments filed 09 November 2007 have been fully considered and they are persuasive.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims **1-4 and 6-28** are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The present invention is directed toward a mutually authenticating method, a recording medium, a signal processing system, a reproducing apparatus, and an information processing apparatus that cause a drive connected to a personal computer to record encrypted content to a disc medium and to reproduce an encrypted content from a disc medium. Each independent claim identifies the uniquely distinct features "**mutually authenticating a reproducing and information processing apparatus causing the reproducing apparatus to determine whether or not the reproducing apparatus itself should be invalidated using information that represents the reproducing apparatus and the revocation information, causing the information processing apparatus to determine whether or not the information processing apparatus**

itself should be invalidated using the information that represents the information processing apparatus and the revocation information”.

The closest prior art, Kamibayashi et al. (US Patent No. 7,065,648) discloses a mutual authentication method for use between a recording apparatus which records copied contents on a recording medium having an arithmetic processing function, and the recording medium, the method includes a step of storing in the recording medium at least first information which depends on the recording medium, and second information which is to be shared by the recording apparatus in executing mutual authentication with the recording apparatus and depends on the recording medium, and a step of generating by the recording apparatus authentication information used in mutual authentication with the recording medium on the basis of the first information obtained from the recording medium, and executing mutual authentication between the recording apparatus and the recording medium using the generated authentication information and the second information.

However, either singularly or in combination, Kamibayashi et al. fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation of mutually authenticating a reproducing and information processing apparatus causing the reproducing apparatus to determine whether or not the reproducing apparatus itself should be invalidated using information that represents the reproducing apparatus and the revocation information, causing the information processing apparatus to determine whether or not the information processing apparatus itself should be invalidated using the information that represents the information

processing apparatus and the revocation information nor does Kamibayashi et al. disclose two apparatuses determining whether two revocations occur.

The closest prior art, Tagawa et al. (US Patent No. 6,615,192) discloses a content copying system is formed from a host computer and connected disc drive, a removable recording medium being loaded into the latter. When the removable recording medium loaded into the disc drive is DVD-Audio, the disc drive reads a title, recorded on the recording medium and outputs it to the host computer, where it is stored in a hard disk. When the removable recording medium loaded into the disc drive is DVD-RAM, the disc drive has the host computer read the title recorded in the hard disk, and records this title onto the DVD-RAM. The disc drive does not increment the number of copies made for a title when it is read from DVD-Audio and recorded in the hard disk in the host computer, but only when it is read from the hard disk and recorded onto DVD-RAM.

However, either singularly or in combination, Tagawa et al. fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation of mutually authenticating a reproducing and information processing apparatus causing the reproducing apparatus to determine whether or not the reproducing apparatus itself should be invalidated using information that represents the reproducing apparatus and the revocation information, causing the information processing apparatus to determine whether or not the information processing apparatus itself should be invalidated using the information that represents the information processing apparatus and the revocation information.

The closest prior art, Akiyama et al. (US Patent No. 6,460,137) discloses a random-number generator generates first and second title keys on the basis of random numbers. A first DES encryption circuit for the title encrypts input data with the first title key. Initial values of this item of input data are a data identifier (ID) and program clock reference (PCR) that are extracted from a packet header. After completing the encryption of the initial values, a result of an encryption by a second DES encryption circuit for title serves as the input data for the first DES encryption circuit for title. The second DES encryption circuit for title encrypts a value of result of the encryption by the first DES encryption circuit for title with the second title key. An exclusive OR circuit outputs an exclusive OR of the data stored in the packet and a value of result of the encryption by the second DES encryption circuit for title. This exclusive OR turns out encrypted data.

However, either singularly or in combination, Akiyama et al. fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation of mutually authenticating a reproducing and information processing apparatus causing the reproducing apparatus to determine whether or not the reproducing apparatus itself should be invalidated using information that represents the reproducing apparatus and the revocation information, causing the information processing apparatus to determine whether or not the information processing apparatus itself should be invalidated using the information that represents the information processing apparatus and the revocation information.

The closest prior art, Ishiguro et al. (US Patent No. 6,697,945) discloses an information processing apparatus and an information processing method are capable of

preventing information from being copied illegally. A hash function and a service key are stored in advance in an EEPROM of a DVD player serving as a source. In an EEPROM of a personal computer (PC) serving as a sink, on the other hand, its ID and a license key are stored beforehand. The DVD player requests the PC to transmit the ID. The DVD player then applies the hash function to data resulting from concatenation of the ID with the service key to generate a license key (=hash (ID .parallel. service-key)). Subsequently, the DVD player generates a source side common session key and encrypts the session key by using the generated license key. Then, the DVD player transmits the encrypted source side common session key to the PC. The PC decrypts the encrypted source side common session key by using the license key stored in its EEPROM to produce a sink side common session key which has a value equal to that of the source side common session key.

However, either singularly or in combination, Ishiguro et al. fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation of mutually authenticating a reproducing and information processing apparatus causing the reproducing apparatus to determine whether or not the reproducing apparatus itself should be invalidated using information that represents the reproducing apparatus and the revocation information, causing the information processing apparatus to determine whether or not the information processing apparatus itself should be invalidated using the information that represents the information processing apparatus and the revocation information.

4. Therefore, **claims 1, 4, 6, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28** and the respective **dependent claims 2-3 and 7-23**.

Conclusion

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Emmanuel Moise can be reached on 571-272-3865. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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